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AGAINST THE LOUD BILL.

Publishers of the Leading Magazines Will Try to Defeat It.

New York, Dec. 23.—A meeting of publishers and paper manufacturers was held to-day for the purpose of taking action against the Loud postal bill, now pending in Congress. This bill aims to take all novels and periodicals out of the second class. This means an increase in postage of from one cent per pound to eight cents. Among those represented at the meeting were the Century, the Review of Reviews, the Metropolitan Magazine, the Forum, Munsey's, McClure's, the Cosmopolitan, Godey's, Peterson's, the North American Review, and all of the publishing houses that print weekly papers devoted to cheap literature.

A committee was appointed to work against the bill, which was condemned as "reactionary in purpose and limited to the interests of all publishers of periodicals and to the allied trades of paper making, engraving, stereotyping, printing, binding, etc."

WOMEN PEDESTRIANS.

New York, Dec. 23.—Mrs. H. Estby and her daughter, Clara, 19 years old, the transcontinental pedestrians, completed the journey from Spokane to this city at 1:30 this afternoon. They left the Western city on May 5, on a wagon with a New York woman that they could cross the continent in less than seven months. The conditions of the wagon were that each of the women was to leave town with only \$5 and earn their living en route. If any sickness befel either the time consumed by it was to be subtracted from the total time. On the way across the continent they worked at anything. They did house work, sewing, and sold photographs of themselves. At Lincoln, Neb., Mrs. William J. Bryan fed them and bought photographs. In Ohio they called upon Mr. and Mrs. William McKinley and General Coxey.

THE EX-QUEEN'S TRIP.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—Queen Lilinokalani arrived on the Sunset limited over the Southern Pacific road at 8:45 this morning. She left immediately over the Louisville and Nashville for the North, thence to England.

Fresh salted almonds at J. J. Catagni's.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

A Southern Railway Train Nearly Derailed by Some Miscreants.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 23.—A passenger train on the Southern railway due here early this morning had a narrow escape from destruction at a point near Ironville about twelve miles west of Birmingham. The train was running at the usual rate of speed when, upon approaching a short trestle, the engineer discovered that a rail had been removed from the structure, presumably by would-be robbers. The air brakes were applied and the train stopped in time to avoid a terrible catastrophe, the engine, however, going partly over the break in the rails, but remaining on the trestle. Southern railway officials claim that no one on the train was injured in the least and that the delayed train has reached Birmingham without further mishap.

A CHINESE ENTERPRISE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—An imperial ordinance has been issued to sanction a new eastern Chinese railway company, with a capital of 5,000,000 roubles, to construct and work a railway from the western frontier of Hei-Lung-Chiang to the eastern frontier of Kirin, in Manchuria, to connect with branches of the Siberian railway. It is provided that the holders of shares must be Russian or Chinese.

A NEGRO SWINDLER.

Washington, Dec. 23.—A colored man giving his name as Charles Ewdson, was arrested here to-day charged with attempting to swindle Assistant Secretary Curtis at the Treasury Department. Ewdson called on Mr. Curtis and represented that he was a Pullman car porter with whom Mr. Curtis often had ridden to New York, and that he had lost his uniform. He was unable to go on his regular run to-day without first making a deposit on a new uniform. A telephone inquiry of the Pullman office brought the answer that the fellow was an imposter and was not in their employ. Hence his arrest.

NOTICE.

Internal Revenue Service, Sixth District of Virginia, Deputy Collector's Office, Wytheville, Va., Dec. 5, 1896.

By virtue of a distraint warrant to me issued on November 9, 1896, by W. H. Fowle, acting collector of said district, to satisfy a claim of \$151.40 for taxes and deficiencies, together with all penalties, interests and costs, against Peters & McPherson, of Cave Spring, Roanoke county, I will offer for sale by way of public auction for cash, to the highest bidder, on the 1ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1897, on the distillery premises of the said Peters & McPherson, near Cave Spring, Va. said county, 20 packages, about 700 gallons, of whiskey, or so much of said whiskey as will satisfy the said claim. In the event after appropriating enough of the proceeds of this sale for taxes on said whiskey, that the said whiskey fails to sell for enough to satisfy this said claim, I will at the same time, and at the same place, and in the same manner, sell the said distillery premises, situated near Cave Spring, it being the same premises last used by the said Peters & McPherson as a grain distillery.

R. P. JOHNSON,

Deputy Collector, Wytheville, Va.

Fancy baskets filled with tropical fruits at J. J. Catagni's.

Our Christmas Memorandum:

Christmas Neckties.

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Gloves.

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Hdkfs.

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Collars and Cuffs.

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Full Dress Protectors.

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Canes and Umbrellas.

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Traveling Bags.

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Collar and Cuff Boxes.

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Cigar and Cigarette Cases

If you've gentlemen friends to remember, visit us.

GILKESON & TAYLOR,

Hats, Shoes, Furnishings

CENTRAL AMERICAN UNION.

Its First Representative Formally Received by the President.

Washington, Dec. 23.—After several weeks' consideration of the status of the greater republic of Central America, President Cleveland to-day received him and accepted his credentials in a short speech, which, while formal in tone, was thoroughly earnest in its evidence of good-will towards the new American union. The President emphasized the purpose of this Government to hold the individual States of the new union to responsibility for past claims, and he indicated an expectation that Guatemala and Costa Rica, which have so far refrained from joining with the others in the new republic, would soon give in their adherence.

The minister, who was accompanied by Secretary Olney, made a most friendly reply. He expressed the wish that the New Central American union and the United States should strengthen their social and commercial relations.

A SURETY COMPANY SUE.

Saratoga, Pa., Dec. 23.—The Traders' National Bank of Saratoga, has begun suit against the Fidelity and Casualty Company, of New York, to recover \$20,000, the amount of the bond furnished by the company for A. B. Williams, the cashier who was recently sentenced to the Western Penitentiary for embezzling \$33,000.

END OF A BAD CAREER.

New York, Dec. 23.—George Appo, the noted Chinese-American criminal and green goods stealer, was to-day sentenced to the Matteawan Asylum for the criminal insane. His father is serving a life sentence in the same institution for wife murder. George Appo was one of the principal witnesses against the police in the Lexow investigation.

BARGAIN.

Slightly used Steiff piano, walnut case at J. E. ROGERS.

SLAVERY ABOLISHED.

Important Reforms Inaugurated by France in Madagascar.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Among the earliest reforms of the French government in Madagascar is embodied in a decree abolishing slavery, a copy of which has reached the State Department from Consul Wetter at Tananarive.

It declares all the inhabitants free, forbids traffic in human beings, nullifies every contract providing for the sale of persons and imposes penalties for violations of the law, which are to be tripled in case of second offense.

Other features of the decree are that France promises not to impose upon the people of Madagascar any extraordinary war tax and offers aid to dispossessed owners of slaves in the form of territorial possessions. Another decree relating to schools prohibits interference by teachers in political affairs and urges instruction in the French language.

IMMIGRANTS DETAINED.

New York, Dec. 23.—Of the 511 passengers that the French steamship Patria brought to this port to-day from Marseilles and Naples, 200 are detained on Ellis Island by order of the immigration authorities. When the passengers of the Patria were landed on the island, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Wike and Superintendent Stamp were present. Neither seemed to be prepossessed in favor of the new arrivals. Dr. Senner and others said they were the worst lot of immigrants that have reached these shores in a long time. Most of the detained immigrants are Italians who boarded the ship at Naples on December 5.

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have the largest and most convenient coal and wood yard in the city. They have more shed room than any other dealers in the city. They have polite drivers. They serve their coal and deliver it promptly. Look out for the belted teams.

Xmas pies made to order at Bowman's.

Compliments of the Season Extended to All!

- LOW PRICES!
- GOOD CLOTHES!
- SQUARE DEALING!

Philadelphia One-Price Clothing House.

What We Want!

We want everybody to know that when they purchase A STOVE from us they are SURE of getting repairs. Repairs were furnished for a stove the other day that the party had had for forty years.

Buy the EX-ELSIOR, and you won't have to throw your stove away for want of repairs.

ENGLEBY & BRO. CO.

ABOUT FITTING GLASSES.

Quotation From the New York Medical News, Sept. 19, 1896.

"The fitting of glasses in hypermetropia (far sighted), myopia (near sighted), and astigmatism, the discrimination between amblyopia without optical lesion and that due to disease, the determination whether muscular defects are due to refractive error or the grave spinal lesion, all these and many more tell us plainly that the fitting of glasses to eyes should be in the hands of the physician or doctor alone, whose medical education and training make him competent to deal with these questions, which even to his mind are sometimes difficult, if not impossible. Beware of so-called opticians, professors and peddlers, who travel from place to place trying to fit glasses. You may have cause to regret them experimenting on your precious vision. Better get an oculist and have your eyes attended to properly. Any one can call himself a professor."

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Real Estate and Rental Agent,
8 Campbell Ave., Opposite Terry Bldg.

FOR RENT:

Handsome brick 8 room dwelling; gas, steam and all modern improvements, yard shaded and iron fence—519 Church street.
Handsome frame 8 room dwelling, all modern improvements, Roanoke street—south of Albemarle, or Eleventh avenue.
Good 5 room cottage, between Park street and Franklin road.
Good 4 room cottage on Rorer avenue, above Park street.
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To all of these properties possession can be had at once.
Improved properties in all parts of Roanoke for sale, many of which are great bargains and on easy terms.
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Oysters by the quart or gallon. Lowest price. Best goods. J. J. Catagni.

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206 COMMERCE STREET.

The Great Throng of Eager Buyers of Christmas Presents Continue to Come Our Way.

THE DAY COMES RAPIDLY ON! Are you ready? If not, the greatest chances of getting satisfactorily in shape lie in this direction. Come early in the morning; fewer people out between 8 and 10 o'clock than at any other time of the day. Both our Dry Goods and Christmas Annex stores open every night from now until Christmas. GREAT LINE OF GIFTS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. NEW LOT OF TOYS OPEN TO-MORROW.

Games! Games!

Have you seen our line of games? It takes in nearly everything out in this way. Games such as we sell are not only amusing for children, but will be found a delightful pastime for older people. Prices range from 5c. to \$1. Here is a list of a few:

Country Fish Pond. Foot Ball. Base Ball. Donkey Party. Yachting. Palma. Nellie Bly. Parcheesi. And a host of others

CHINA! CHINA!! CHINA!!!
Japanese China, Austrian China, German China—Great Line of China of Every Sort

Our sales of china have been enormous. Our third order of this line now on the last run. No more of this to follow. The low prices we are making and the high grade we are handling are forcing the sales more way up yonder. Lots of shapes in different articles never shown here before. See the great lines—buy a gift of these here and save 50 per cent. on the purchase.

Here is a list of the varieties:

Vases,
Chocolate Pots,
Teapots,
Plates,
Delft Placques,
Cups and Saucers,
Candle Sticks,
Tea Sets,
Sugar and Cream Sets,
Pin Trays,
Puff Boxes,
Etc., Etc.

The Great Sale of Books

For Children Still Continues:

We have already sold over 25,000 books. The bright attractive feature of our books are not less than the very attractive prices at which we are putting them out.
Great lines of these desirable entertaining books for children ready to-morrow.
Books for boys.
Books for girls.
The biggest books for 25c. you ever saw.
A B C books.
Books of delightful childish stories:
Books of "Mother Goose Rhymes."
Books of "Natural History."
Books of "Adventures."
Books of fairy tales and a hundred and one different sorts for children of all ages. See them.

DOLLS, DOLLS.

We had no idea we would be able to sell so many dolls. Our third big lot in voice is fast melting away and if sales continue we will be clear out before Christmas. Unbroken assortment still on hand, but get here early.

ALL KINDS OF DOLLS.

Dressed Dolls, in street, evening and theatre costumes.

Undressed Dolls,

Kid Body Dolls,

Jointed Dolls,

Blonde Dolls,

Brunette Dolls.

Dolls at 5c to \$15.

Dolls 4 inches High.

Dolls 2 Feet High.

The Prettiest, Cheapest DOLLS you ever saw.

Toys! Toys!!

Iron Toys, Wooden Toys, Mechanical Toys, Steam Engines, Full Fledged Kitchens, Stoves, Balls, Tops, Trumpets, Drums, Animal Tops, Boats, Houses, Stables, Etc., Etc., Etc. See the Great Lines.

The Toy Furniture

ADVERTISED LAST WEEK has been moving out at a rapid rate. Nearly 75 pieces sold last week. We still have 25 or 30 pieces left.

It is all made of solid oak—Good kid furniture, made with mirrors, drawers, doors, and all the features of the real thing. It comes:

Bureaus,
Cheffoniers,
Wardrobes,
Washtands.

Smaller size about 6x10 inches, 25c each. Big lot of pieces.
Largest size about 12x15 inches, 98c.

PICTURES, PICTURES.

We have sold more than 200 pictures. Lots of them here yet, all sizes, all prices, clean, beautiful, chaste subjects. A handsome present for male or female. They are called:

Photos on Glass.

Quite the rage just now.
Photos on glass handsomely framed at 50c.
Photos on glass, larger at 89c.
Photos on glass, larger, \$1.39.
Larger sizes in Delft Etchings at \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75.

Beautifully framed "Roses" and "Violets," large size, 36x18 inches, at \$5, worth double.

This line of pictures is 50 per cent. less than these lines of goods are generally sold.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS.

Big line of colored glass Balls, Bells, Gilt Shavings and Silver Dust for

Trimming Christmas Trees.
Biggest Stock Ever Shown Here.

CANDIES! CANDIES!

Special Prices on Big Lots to Sunday-Schools.

Everybody buys our candies. They tell us it is the best they ever tasted, and oh so cheap.

At 15c pound, fine Cream Chocolates, worth 25c.

At 10c pound, fine Cream Bon Bons, all of them fresh and soft—no old hard candy here.

At 8c pound, mixture of Gum and Conserve, worth 15c.

Kid Gloves

Hundreds of pairs of Kid Gloves are now moving out. We are showing in Roanoke the greatest invention of the age in the shape of a fastener for a kid glove called the "Ideal." The old time button and hooks are not in it. This fastener only comes on our best real Kid Guaranteed Gloves at \$1.50. Try them, you'll like them. We stand back of you on every pair you buy to make any imperfections good.

In 4 shades—
Black with white stitching.
Black with black stitching.
Oxblood.

Tans.
Great line of the now most popular gloves made, the 2 clasp pique in Oxblood, Tans and Blacks at only \$1.
Great line of \$1.50 value in gloves at 75c. All the shades, Oxblood, Tans, Browns and Blacks.
Heavy Woolen Gloves for men and boys. Mitts for ladies and children.

Umbrellas

A really nice thing to present a lady for a Christmas gift is a good Umbrella. All kinds from the cheapest to the best goods are now on our counters.

CLOAKS! CLOAKS!

HAVE YOU AVOIDED YOURSELF OF THE GREAT CLOSING PRICES WE ARE MAKING ON CLOAKS?

JUST ONE-HALF PRICE TAKES THE PICK OF OUR STOCK.

OWING TO THE WARM SEASON WE DID NOT MOVE AS MANY OF THESE GOODS IN NOVEMBER AS WE SHOULD HAVE DONE, AND ARE NOW THEREFORE NAMING THE LOWEST PRICES EVER PLACED ON GOODS OF THIS CHARACTER OF OUR STOCK AT THIS SEASON OF THE YEAR.

THE LOSS IS OURS—YOUR'S THE GAIN.

OVER FIFTY OF THEM SOLD DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS. STOCK IS GOING RAPIDLY.

COME EARLY TO GET A CHOICE. YOU CAN POSITIVELY BUY THEM AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

\$7.50 will buy a \$15 Cloak.
\$6 will buy a \$12 Cloak.
\$9 will buy a \$18 Cloak.
\$10 will buy a \$20 Cloak.
\$5 will buy a \$10 Cloak.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

We are now ready with our usual great holiday stock of Handkerchiefs. Handkerchiefs of every sort from 5c to \$12 each.

Great line of Real Lace Handkerchiefs running from 75c to \$12 each. See them. Here's a gift anybody will appreciate. Fine embroidered Handkerchiefs from 10c to \$1.50 each.

Great lines of embroidered Handkerchiefs for ladies at 10c, 12c, 15c, 17c, 25c and 50c.

We ask special attention to our big lines of very sheer Clear Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 15c, 25c and 40c. This is a new line with us. You'll like them. 100 dozen very fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs for ladies with cluster cord borders. Very nice effect.

Gentlemen's Initial Silk Handkerchiefs at 12 1/2c.

Gentlemen's all Linen Initial Handkerchiefs at 25c.

Gentlemen's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs.

chiefs, large size, either colored border or plain white at 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c.

Gentlemen's colored border or plain white ready-to-use Handkerchiefs at 5c.

Gentlemen's full sized Hemstitched China Silk Handkerchiefs, fine, pretty quality at 25c. Better grades at 40c, 50c, 75c and \$1.

Gentlemen's Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, all the letters at 50c, for an extra heavy and large handkerchief.

Be sure to see our great lines. If you don't see for our counters just what you want, ask for it; we have it, cheaper than you find it.

Dress Goods

We are fast closing our lines of Novelties in Dress Goods. Many of colored Novelties which have been \$1.50 are now \$1.19.

Colored Novelties which have been \$4 are now 79c.

Some special bargains in Handsome Black Dress Goods at reduced prices. See the stock.

Neckwear

Gentlemen tell us we are offering the greatest line of Neckwear at 50c they ever saw. Nearly a whole line closed last week. New lot on Tuesday, 50c and 25c are the prices, real values are \$1 and 50c. See the window display.

STERLING SILVER NOVELTIES.

We show a great line of sterling silver novelties of every description in our Dry Goods Department consisting of

Scissors,
Penknives,
Manicure Articles.

Sterling Silver Shoe Horns.
Sterling Silver Tooth Brushes.
Sterling Silver Nail Brushes.
Sterling Silver Nail Files.
Sterling Silver Paper Cutters.
Sterling Silver Book Marks.

Inkstands and a host of others too numerous to mention. See the great range of these goods we show.

206 Commerce Street.

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